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No Slowing Down for Educator Accreditation Committee

SACRAMENTO – The Commission on Teacher Credentialing’s (Commission) Committee on Accreditation (COA) is approaching the end of their work year at nothing less than full steam ahead. The COA took on a hefty agenda including evaluating 8 new programs for approval, hearing reports from 10 accreditation visits, and holding discussions to consider program standards and national accreditation processes. The 12-member committee of volunteers, interviewed and appointed by the Commission, represent the K-12 and higher education communities and are regarded as experts in the field. The meeting, held May 25-26, is the second to last for the COA, whose cycle runs from August through June to coincide with the calendars of most education institutions. The full agenda can be viewed [here](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-coa.html) or at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-coa.html>.

The following institutions received accreditation decisions for the programs listed:

Institution and Programs	Accreditation Decision
Butte County Office of Education General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Induction Program	Accreditation http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-07.pdf
West Contra Costa Unified School District General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Induction Program	Accreditation http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-11.pdf
Aspire Public Schools General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Induction Program	Accreditation http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-12a.pdf

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Institution and Programs	Accreditation Decision
Santa Barbara County Office of Education General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) and Administrative Services Induction Program	Accreditation http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-13.pdf
San Marcos Unified School District General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Induction Program	Accreditation http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-21.pdf
Fontana Unified School District General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Induction Program	Accreditation http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-23.pdf
California Polytechnic State University, San Louis Obispo Multiple Subject, Preliminary, with BCLAD (Spanish) Single Subject, Preliminary Agricultural Specialist Education Specialist, Level I and Preliminary, Mild/Moderate Administrative Services, Preliminary including Internship	Accreditation with Stipulations http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2011-05/2011-05-item-24.pdf

In addition to these initial visits, revisits were made to three institutions resulting in a change of accreditation status for their programs. Revisits may be made at prescribed intervals to institutions receiving a status of less than Accreditation in an effort to support programs in offering their candidates the highest quality programs. **National Hispanic University's** prior accreditation status was upgraded to **Accreditation with Stipulations**; **California State University, Stanislaus** was upgraded to **Accreditation**; and, **California State University, East Bay** was also upgraded to **Accreditation**.

Programs wishing to offer educator preparation must first receive initial institutional approval, demonstrating their ability to meet current program standards and preconditions adopted by the Commission. The following programs received initial institutional approval: **United States University** and **National Hispanic University** for their Bilingual Authorization programs in Spanish; **El Dorado County Office of Education** for their Education Specialist Added Authorization in Autism Spectrum Disorder; **Touro University, San Jose Unified School District, Antioch Unified School District, and Aspire Public Schools** for the Education Specialist Clear Credential; and, for their Preliminary Single Subject Internship program, **Pacific Technology School – Orange County, Magnolia Educational and Research Foundation**.

The COA meets next on June 23-24, 2011 at the Commission offices in Sacramento, CA. For a full copy of the agenda, visit <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-meetings.html>.

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